

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

MINES & MINERALS – Mining Lease for Steatite over an extent of 1.53 Hc in Sy.Nos.177/1 of Pathagunta (V), Srikalahasthi (M), Chittoor Dist held by Sri P.Gunasekhar Naidu - Declared as lapsed under rule 28 (1) of M.C.Rules, 1960 - Orders – Issued.

INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE (M.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 204

Dt.10.12.2014.

Read the following:

- 1.G.O.Ms.No.151, Ind & Com (M.III) Dept., dt.16.05.2005.
- 2.From the Director of Mines & Geology, Government of A.P., Hyderabad file No.9158/R5-1/2013, dt.09.07.2013.
- 3.Govt. Memo No.11776/M.III(2)/2013- 1, dt:27.08.2013.
- 4.From Sri P.Gunasekhar Naidu, Rep.dt:24.10.2013.
- 5.From the Director of Mines & Geology, Government of A.P., Hyderabad File No.9158/R5-1/2013, dt.29.01.2014.

O R D E R :

In the reference 1st read above, Government have granted Mining Lease in favour of Sri P.Gunasekhar Naidu for Steatite over an extent of 1.53 Hc in Sy.Nos.177/1 of Pathagunta (V), Srikalahasthi (M), Chittoor Dist for a period of (20) years and the Assistant Director of Mines & Geology, Chittoor has executed the lease on 24.08.2005.

2. In the reference 3rd read above, based on the recommendations of the Director of Mines & Geology, a show cause notice was issued to the lessee under Rule 28(1) of M.C.Rules,1960 as the lessee has not obtained any dispatch permits from the date of execution of the lease and on certain other lapses mentioned therein. Sri P.Gunasekhar Naidu has submitted his reply to S.C.N. requesting to drop further action vide reference 4th read above.

3. Government have examined the reply of the lessee with reference to the report of the Director of Mines & Geology, Government of A.P., Hyderabad vide reference 5th read above and felt that the lessee has failed to submit any documentary proof that he had prolonged illness due to which he could not carry out the mining operations since execution of lease deed w.e.f. 24.08.2005 in support of his claim. Partial rectification of a serious breach that too after issue of Show Cause Notice by the Government does not indicate seriousness of intent. He has absolutely failed to carry out mining operations for (9) long years and almost half of the lease period is over out of sanctioned (20) years lease period. The other cause given by the lessee that the laborers are not available in all these years to start the mining operations is absurd to say the least. This attitude of the lease holder in keeping the mine idle for such a long period is not helpful for mineral development and use in the State.

4. It should be noted in this regard that mineral wealth is the wealth of the nation and should be put to use for public good. Government gave mining lease so that the lessee could do mining scientifically within the prescribed time limits and use the mined mineral. Such a mine would generate revenue for the State by way of taxes, employment for the local people and give boost to the overall economy of the region besides industrializing the area. None of theses objectives could be achieved due to the abject of the lessee.

5. Government, after careful examination of the matter, have decided to declare the Mining Lease for Steatite over an extent of 1.53 Hc in Sy.Nos.177/1 of Pathagunta (V), Srikalahasthi (M), Chittoor Dist held by Sri P.Gunasekhar Naidu as lapsed under Rule 28(1) of Mineral Concession Rules,1960, as the lessee has failed to fulfill the lease conditions.

(P.T.O.)

6. The Director of Mines & Geology, Government of A.P., Hyderabad shall take necessary action immediately.

(BY ORDER IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

J.S.V.PRASAD
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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The Director of Mines & Geology, Government of A.P., Hyderabad. (w.e.file)

Copy to:

The Zonal Joint Director of Mines & Geology, Kadapa.

The Assistant Director of Mines & Geology, Chittoor.

The District Collector, Chittoor District.

The Secretary to Govt. of India, Ministry of Mines, Sastry Bhavan, New Delhi-110001.

The Controller General, Indian Bureau of Mines, Indira Bhavan, Civil Lines, Nagpur - 440001.

The Director General, Mines Safety, Dhanbad, Jarkhand.

The Regional Controller of Mines, Koti, Hyderabad.

SF/SCs. (C.No.11776/M.III(1)/2013).

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SECTION OFFICER